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Statement from the Chair

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REPORT FROZEN CITY LINES: (715)799-3587

Advisory for Community Residents

(*Keshena*, *WI*) – Due to the continuing threat of extreme cold weather forecasted for our area, the Tribe's Emergency Management Coordinator is recommending that area residents take the following precautions to reduce risk of freezing water lines.

- Keep a continuous stream of water running from at least one faucet in your home (stream size should be the width of a pencil lead) or run your water for five (5) minutes every few hours
- Open sink/cabinet doors to allow the warm air circulating in your home to reach your water pipes
- Keep your home heated and warm at all times
- Exercise care when snow plowing to avoid uncovering or driving over water lines or curb stops
- If you live in a mobile home,
 - o Limit or do not use the bathrooms at the furthest ends of your home
 - Make sure the skirting around your home is intact or free from damage to prevent cold air or drafts from reaching your water pipes
 - Check the heat tape on the water pipes under your trailer home to ensure these are operational and/or do not need replacement (pipes should be warm to touch. If they are not, check to make sure the heat tape is plugged in)
 - For online information about frozen water lines in mobile homes, please visit http://www.mobilehomerepair.com/article8.htm

Please be advised that residents with metered usage will not observe an increase in their monthly bills as usage will be adjusted. To report frozen city water lines, please contact Tribal Utilities at (715)799-3587. If after hours, you will be connected with on-call staff.

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